



DR

Docket No.: 050103-0553

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 49745  
Rajiv Yadav RANJAN, et al. : Confirmation Number: 2760  
Application No.: 10/776,203 : Group Art Unit: 1753  
Filed: February 12, 2004 : Examiner: McDonald, Rodney Glenn  
For: METHOD & APPARATUS FOR MULTI-STAGE SPUTTER DEPOSITION OF UNIFORM THICKNESS LAYERS

STATUS INQUIRY

Mail Stop Status Inquiry  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The above-referenced application was filed on February 12, 2004. Since almost two years have elapsed since that date, and no Action to said application has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicants respectfully request that the undersigned agent be informed of the status of the referenced application. It is noted that the Official Gazette indicates applications filed on or before March 8, 2004 in the above-assigned Group Art Unit should have received an Action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

McDERMOTT WILL & EMERY LLP

Aaron Weisstuch, Ph.D.  
Registration No. 41,557

600 13<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20005-3096  
Phone: 202.756.8000 AW:kap  
Facsimile: 202.756.8087  
Date: January 27, 2006

Please recognize our Customer No. 49745  
as our correspondence address.